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PROCEDURAL MEMORANDUM

TO: All Parties to D.T.E. 98-57-Phase III (*via E-mail and Regular Mail*)

FROM: Jesse Reyes, Hearing Officer

RE: Verizon Appeal of Hearing Officer Ruling; Deadlines for Filing Responses

DATE: October 22, 2002

On October 22, 2002, Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon") informed the Department that it intends to appeal the Hearing Officer Ruling, dated October 18, 2002, and requested a one business-day extension of time to file its appeal, stating that the five-day appeal period set by the hearing officer does not provide adequate time for Verizon to respond fully to the matters raised in the Hearing Officer Ruling (Verizon Request for Extension at 3). I find that there is good cause for a one-day extension of time for filing appeals and that this will not prejudice the other parties.

Verizon may file its appeal of the Hearing Officer Ruling by October 28, 2002. Any opposing party may file a response by November 4, 2002. If you have any questions, please contact Jesse Reyes (617) 305-3735.

Jesse S. Reyes,
Hearing Officer

Date